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- 1. U.S. Patent No. 5,406,305, published April 11, 1995.
- 2. U.S. Patent No. 5,786,801, published July 28, 1998.

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